

I am strongly opposed to Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election. Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. However, Sinclair's actions are against public interest. By forcing its stations to air anti-Kerry "documentary" Sinclair is making a corporate decision on what is news worthy in addition to placing a personalized and bias spin on news. The decisions pertaining to what is deemed as newsworthy should be in the hands of journalists, not Sinclair's main office.

If the FCC and citizens do not have the power to regulate large companies, or large companies do not have to answer to citizens, the large companies that control the airwaves may make decisions based on what's good for their bottom lines rather than what is good for the United States. In this case we risk restrictions on a free press, which is detrimental to democracy

Thank you.